

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
CHARLESTON DIVISION**

Felicia Sanders, *individually and as
Legal Custodian for K M, a minor,*

Plaintiffs,

v.

United States of America,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 2:16-2356-RMG

ORDER

Jennifer Pinckney,

Plaintiff,

v.

United States of America,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 2:16-2351-RMG

Polly Sheppard,

Plaintiff,

v.

United States of America,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 2:16-2358-RMG

Jennifer Pinckney, *Personal Representative
of the Estate of Clementa Pinckney*

Plaintiff,

v.

United States of America,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 2:16-2350-RMG

Jennifer Pinckney, *individually and as*)
Parent, Natural Guardian and)
Next Friend of M P, a minor,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
United States of America,)
)
Defendant.)

Civil Action No. 2:16-2352-RMG

Tyrone Sanders, *Personal Representative*)
of the Estate of Tywanza Sanders,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
United States of America,)
)
Defendant.)

Civil Action No. 2:16-2354-RMG

Walter B. Jackson, *Personal Representative*)
of the Estate of Susie Jackson,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
United States of America,)
)
Defendant.)

Civil Action No. 2:16-2359-RMG

Bethane Middleton-Brown, *Personal*)
Representative of the Estate of DePayne)
Middleton-Doctor,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
United States of America,)
)
Defendant.)

Civil Action No. 2:16-2746-RMG

Laura Moore, *Personal Representative*
of the Estate of Ethel Lance,

Plaintiff,

v.

United States of America,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 2:16-2360-RMG

Daniel L. Simmons, Jr., *Personal*
Representative of the Estate of Daniel L.
Simmons, Sr.,

Plaintiff,

v.

United States of America,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 2:16-2378-RMG

Shalisa Coleman, *Personal Representative*
of the Estate of Sharonda
Coleman-Singleton,

Plaintiff,

v.

United States of America,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 2:16-2405-RMG

Anthony Thompson,

Plaintiff,

v.

United States of America,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 2:16-2406-RMG

Felicia Sanders,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
United States of America,)
)
Defendant.)

Civil Action No. 2:16-2355-RMG

Anthony Thompson, *as Co-Personal*)
Representative of the Estate of Myra)
Singleton Quarles Thompson,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
United States of America,)
)
Defendant.)

Civil Action No. 2:16-2357-RMG

Arthur Stephen Hurd, *Personal*)
Representative of the Estate of Cynthia)
Graham Hurd,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
United States of America,)
)
Defendant.)

Civil Action No. 2:16-2407-RMG


Arthur Stephen Hurd,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
United States of America,)
)
Defendant.)

Civil Action No. 2:16-2409-RMG

On January 31, 2017, the Court provided notice to the parties that it was considering consolidation of the above captioned cases and invited objections. On February 9, 2017, the parties filed a joint report agreeing to consolidation with *Sanders*, Civ. No. 2:16-2356-RMG as the lead case, but differing on the nature of the consolidation. Plaintiffs agree to consolidation for discovery only. Defendant agrees to consolidation for all purposes. The Court need not reach the issue of consolidation for trial at this time. The parties agree on consolidation for discovery and appear to agree on consolidation for purposes of pre-discovery motion practice, given the practice of joining in a motion filed in a single case or filing substantively identical motions in each case. A party objecting to consolidation after discovery state may object at that time.

The Court therefore **ORDERS** that, pursuant to Rule 42(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the above captioned cases be consolidated. The docket in Civil Action Number 2:16-2356 shall constitute the Master Docket. Parties shall file documents on the Master Docket only. Going forward, citations to ECF document numbers are presumed to refer to the Master Docket unless otherwise specified. The caption of any filing shall clearly indicate whether a document pertains to particular case numbers or to all cases.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.


Richard Mark Gerge
United States District Court Judge

February 9, 2017
Charleston, South Carolina